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WHITE BIAXIALLY ORIENTED FILM MADE FROM A

CRYSTALLIZABLE THERMOPLASTIC AND HAVING A HIGH LEVEL OF

WHITENESS

Charlotte, North Carolina April 4, 2003

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL</u>

In the response to the outstanding Office Action dated November 05, 2002, kindly consider the following amendments. Additionally, note that a two-month extension of time to be charged to Deposit Account 50-2193 has been filed simultaneously herewith to extend the due date from February 5, 2003 to April 5, 2003. FAX RECEN APR O 7 2003 ROUP 1700

In the Claims

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

(Twice amended) A white film having a thickness of from 10 to 500 µm, comprising a 1. crystallizable polyolefin-free thermoplastic polyester polymer, at least one titanium dioxide of the rutile type that is oxidatively coated, and at least one optical brightener; wherein the titanium dioxide and the optical brightener are provided in the form of at least one masterbatch.